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Tun superstitious will have another chance to exercise their astonishment. Jud Crouch came near being killed yes-

THE Detroit Free Press has suddenly discovered a number of offices in this State which it thinks ought to be abolished. It is remarkable what a number of opportunities for retrenchment a Demoorat can see when his party is out of

Eves Cupid seems to have been caught by the electric spirit of the age. The other day Conductor Holt stopped his train at Americus, Georgia, declared his love for Miss Laramore of that place, obtained a license, married the lady, and took his bridal tour on his own train.

THE Cleveland Leader thinks that there "is a decidedly suggestive irony in the fact that what was once foolscap is now designated as Congressional cap in the stationery department of the National Legislature." The public printer gets in a little more "composition" by using the second of the synomyms.

ONE advantage the hars who report for some of the papers enjoy is that they get two items of news out of no news at all; first when they tell the lie, and second when it is contradicted. This is illustrated in the story about Ben Butler's writing a book, the denial of which comes this morning over Bntler's own signature.

Wirm all its well-earned reputation for enterprise the New York Sun did not publish Gov. Cleveland letter on the civil service question until Wednesday, the day following that on which the letter appeared in THE TELEGRAM. The Sun's explanation is that the assistant editor lost the copy from his desk, "either by some person taking it or by the wind blowing it away, or the office cat eating it up."

WHILE it may be comparatively easy for Gen. Grant's wealthy friends to save his personal effects from Vanderbilt's judgment, there are other pressing creditors from whom it is not so easy to escape. A consultation was held in Philadelphin the other day between G. W. Childs, A. J. Drexel and Gen. Sherman, and it was stated that the amount necessary to pay Vanderbilt would be raised if any guarantee could be given that Gen. Grant would not after all become a pauper. All the General's relics, presents and trophies, together with all the rest of his personal effects are in the hands of the sheriff, and a day is set for their sale.

When the Washington correspondent of the Detroit Post and the Chicago Inter-Ocean attempts to discuss astronomy he displays a verdency that beats the record. In his happy New Year dispatches to those papers, he took the trouble to telegraph as news the fact that the earth is nearer the sun in winter than in summer, and added:

"The seasons are due solely to the position of the sun in the heavens, that is, the angle at which the beams of the sun strike different portions of the earth. When the sun shines most directly on the northern bemisphere it is then summer. Not only the sun but the moon also changes its height above the horizon at different seasons. It is now high in the sky at its meridian passage."

Such profound wisdom is seldom found outside the primary schools.

A HOPEFUL MOVEMENT.

At a very unexpected time and in a very unexpected manner a new political movement has been started which promises to be far-reaching and important. Almost immediately after the close of one of the greatest political contests the country ever experienced, Samuel J. Randall starts for a tour through the South. Although he took little part in the late campaign his journey is everywhere regarded as having political importance. What must appear to a foreigner as a most remarkable fact, is that the purpose of his journey is generally recognized to be the declaration of substantially the same doctrine as Blaine forced into the issue of the late campaign from the opposite party; at least the free-traders of the Democratic party fear Randall only as they fear opposition to free-trade; and the degree of fear which Watterson and his class express abow that they apprehend much. Another fact which seems remarkable and unexpected is the cordiality with which Mr. Randall, with his neknowledged opposition to free-trade, is welcomed to the South. Watterson's enmity has advertised his coming most effectually and the people come in crowds to welcome him, and those from places at a distance telegraph and write and send messages to him urging him to visit them, and the fact that manufacturers and the very men whose interests would first feel the influence of a change in revenne laws, have been most prominent in relicioning Mr. Randall, whis a greater Just Received and for min in any a

that he has been compelled to dealing numbers of invitations to visit cities in the South. But he is not going to let the hungry go unfed, and he has promised that when he visits the New Orleans Exposition, in the near future, he will accept the other invitations. This ensures the wide dissemination of more healthy economic sentiment in that section of the country which needs it most. Mr. Randall has the advantage of having the confidence and sympathy of a large part of the people, and his teachings will there-Daily, per year, postage prepaid \$5 00, fore have far greater effect than if they were presented by a Republican. Just what the outcome will be it is of course impossible to foresee. Randall is not by any means correct in all his theories on tariff and revenue laws, but he is decidedly more enlightened on these subjects than the absolute free-traders in his party. We hail his journey as the possible wedge that shall split the solid South, and make the way for the reception and endorsement of still more enlightened

CURRENT COMMENT.

Chicago News: Mr. Watterson looks tallest when only short men are near

St. Louis Globe Democrat: If it would be the "devil's work" to beat Vest, then the devil must be a great friend to poor

Cleveland Herald: With the matter placed properly before them, we believe the people of the South will generally adopt the plan of Mr. Randall as the more rational of the two, and Mr. Watterson will be sent sorrowing to the rear.

New York World: Grover Cleveland will act on a Jacksonian principle. He will remove those who have misused publie office. He will respect those who have respected public office. He will turn rascals out and keep honest men in.

Philadelphia Times: Mr. Randall made a very good speech at Louisville, as was to be expected of him, and not only started his Southern tour aright, but set forth some sound views of business conditions that are valuable in the North as in the South.

St. Louis Republican: Much that Mr. Randall said in his Louisville speech on the subject of the tariff and taxation is wise and Democratic, but his argument in favor of absolute repeal of the internal revenue laws-that is, the tax on liquor and tobacco-will meet with no general approval among Democrats.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: The denials of Mr. John P. St. John as to his money dickers in the late campaign amount to nothing as against the positive proof in possession of several parties. Mr. St. John may deny, but in spite of his denial we can prove that he offered to get a sore throat and retire from the Ohio campaign for \$25,000.

Jackson Citizen: Gov. Begole will step out of office this week without a friend to carry his grip-sack to the train. He has added something to the history of the State during the past two years, but the part he has taken in public affairs has not been creditable to him or to the electors who placed him in the executive office. His successor will have one great advantage, by way of contrast-he cannot make a more unpopular Governor.

New York Sun: Mr. Watterson admits that "there is a quantum of protectionist sentiment in the South," but is still sure that nine-tenths, of the Southern Democrats are in accord with Mr. Carlisle. To philosophical observers in these parts it looks as though the "quantum" of protection in the South might before many years become quant, suf. to make things very interesting for Mr. Carlisle and Mr. Watterson. But he wouldn't for the world disturb their serenity, and hereby wish them a Happy New Year and many returns of the same.

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